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**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**GRAFTON BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**July 10, 2023**

A meeting of the Grafton Board of Health was held on July 10, 2023, and conducted remotely via Zoom. Members present were Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin, Jennifer Maynard, Dan Finn, Austin Magnant, and William Muller. Staff and invited guests: Micah Blondeau, Regional Public Health Specialist (CMRPHA); Amelia Houghton, RN, Public Health Nurse (CMRPHA) and Jennifer Nakijoba, Behavioral Health Manager, from the CMRPHA

A motion was made by Dan Finn to open the meeting at 6:30 p.m., seconded by Austin Magnant via roll call vote: Dan Finn, Austin Magnant, William Muller, Jennifer Maynard and Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin all ayes.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**Reorganization of the Board.**

Dan Finn made a motion to nominate Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin as Chairperson for the coming fiscal year of 2023-2024 second by Austin Magnant, via roll call vote: Dan Finn, Austin Magnant, William Muller, Jennifer Maynard all ayes.

Dan Finn made a motion to nominate Jennifer Maynard as Vice Chairperson for the coming fiscal year 2023-2024, seconded by Austin Magnant, via roll call vote: Dan Finn, Austin Magnant, William Muller and Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin all ayes.

Dan Finn made a motion to nominate Austin Magnant as Clerk for the upcoming fiscal year 2023-2024 second by Jennifer Maynard, via roll call vote Dan Finn, Jennifer Maynard, William Muller and Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin all ayes.

**CMRPHA UPDATE:**

**Micah Blondeau:**

- Had one food born illness inspection at a restaurant which was an unfounded complaint
- Farmers Market is up and running.
- One new body art establishment application has been received
- Change to the use of the Flea Market operating hours and menu being worked on with them
- First Bite Café has a new owner who is cosmetically revamping the establishment and is almost ready to open

**Amelia Houghton:**

- Blood Pressure Clinics are once a month in the Senior Center and at the Housing Authority office at 10 Maxwell Dr. and the Office at Forest Lane. These locations will be evaluated to see if they are efficient.
- There have only been five reported cases of Covid-19
- Waiting on the new vaccine to come out so that the mobile clinics can start up again in the Fall
- Covid-19 is still out there and if 65 and older and immunocompromised you should receive the vaccine
- Masks should be worn; guidelines have not changed and will not for a while
- Health Topic of the Month Flyers are being sent out with Ticks being the topic for July

**DISCUSSION:**

**Proposed By-Law Update:**

This topic will remain on the agenda monthly.

**Opioid Settlement Funds:** Jennifer Nakijoba felt it would be best to find out what Grafton is currently in need of. Examples: Mental Health in the schools, Mental Health Counselor for the Police Department, Recovery Coach for Mental Health and Substance Abuse to name a few. She felt the need to bring in more people from the town that can help with

this so that that the money can be officially used and allocated the best way. It was suggested that the Town not just target the schools but to also look at different age groups like 25-45 plus for one. Board should reach out to Evan, the Police Department, the School Department also if there is a Recovery Facility close to the community. Parents should be educated to read the signs of problems. Organization of a sub-group was suggested to gather more information/data about our community to see where the help is most needed in Grafton and how to effectively use the funds.

**MINUTES:** On hold until the next meeting.

June 5, 2023  
March 9, 2020  
July 13, 2020  
September 14, 2020  
October 5, 2020

**CORRESPONDENCE/MAIL:** Mass Department of Public Health: WVN has been confirmed in mosquitoes in Brookline for the first time this year.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:** It is Tick and Mosquito season; take all the appropriate precautions throughout the season. Model regs for private wells and septic changes have been made from the State. Should the Board decide address these changes to the Towns regulations the appropriate process then needs to be followed. Conflict of Interest training needs to be done if any Board members have not taken it yet.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

August 7, 2023	Hybrid via Conference Room A and Zoom
September 11, 2023	Remote
October 2, 2023	Remote
November 6, 2023	Hybrid via Conference Room A and Zoom
December 4, 2023	Hybrid via Conference Room A and Zoom

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Dan Finn to adjourn at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Austin Magnant via roll call vote: Dan Finn, Austin Magnant, William Muller, Jennifer Maynard and Karen Gwozdowski Gauvin all ayes.

These minutes were approved at the August 7, 2023 meeting.